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Solving Absolute Value Equations

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Objective: To be able to solve absolute value equations. To be able to recognize when there is not a solution. To be able to write equations for situations and from graphs.

Virtue/Skill: We will be using our understanding of absolute value equations to learn about inequalities. Absolute value inequalities help us to find and define limits in calculus.

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Absolute Value

$|x|$

The value of a number is decided by its distance from 0

Sooo... Always a positive value

ex. whether or not I drive forward or backwards, I am still driving 500 ft.

ex. $|-5| = 5$
 $|5| = 5$

Ask: How far is this from 0?

Tip: take the positive value

ex. $|-22| = ?$ $|156| = ?$ $|-33+22| = ?$

22 156 $|-11|$ *Simplify inside first*
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So what about this?

$|x| = 4$

x could be 4
 or
 x could be -4

Incorrect

$|-33+22|$

$33+22$

55 X

Evaluating

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Absolute Value Equations

The distance an expression is from 0

Solutions are 2 number answers, seen as single points on a number line

$|5x - 2| = 28$ the expression $5x - 2$ is 28 spaces from 0

Case 1: The value inside the absolute value symbols is **negative**

Case 2: The value inside the absolute value symbols is **positive**

ex. 1 $|y| = 28$

$y = -28$ or $y = 28$

ex. 2 $|x| = 54$

Case 1 $x = -54$ Case 2 $x = 54$

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$$\underline{|x-7|} = 3$$

* to get rid of bars *

Choice 1

Choice 2

$$\begin{array}{r} x-7 = -3 \\ +7 \quad +7 \\ \hline x = 4 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} x-7 = 3 \\ +7 \quad +7 \\ \hline x = 10 \end{array}$$

AV Equations
with * /
expressions
inside

$$\underline{|4x|} = 28$$

Case 1

Case 2

$$\frac{4x}{4} = \frac{-28}{4}$$

$$\frac{4x}{4} = \frac{28}{4}$$

$$x = -7$$

$$x = 7$$



Check

$$|4(-7)| = 28$$

$$|4(7)| = 28$$

$$|-28| = 28$$

$$|28| = 28$$

$$28 = 28 \checkmark$$

$$28 = 28 \checkmark$$

AV Equations
with + -
inside

ex. 2 $|x - 2| = 28$

Case 1

$$x - 2 = -28$$

$$\begin{array}{r} +2 \quad +2 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$x = -26$$

Case 2

$$x - 2 = 28$$

$$\begin{array}{r} +2 \quad +2 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$x = 30$$

